

## In the Claims

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1. (currently amended) A method for configuring an appliance across a network, comprising:  
receiving configuration instructions in command format via e-mail received at the appliance.
  - Alt* 2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the e-mail is received at a mail server on the appliance
  3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein the mail server on the appliance communicates is one of the group comprised of: an IMAP server, and a SMTP server.
  4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the method further comprises running a mail daemon from the appliance, wherein the appliance is always connected to the network and the daemon monitors electronic mail for the device.
  5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the method further comprises connecting the appliance to the network to receive the electronic mail.
  6. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the e-mail is received at a mail client on the appliance.
  7. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~5~~ 6 wherein the mail client on the appliance communicates with a mail server on the network.
  - 8.-13. (withdrawn)

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  14. (currently amended) An article comprising:  
A storage medium, the storage medium having stored thereon instructions, that, when executed by a computing device, result in:
    - i) reception of electronic mail by a network appliance; and
    - ii) configuration of the appliance in accordance with instructions contained in command format in the electronic mail.

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15. (original) The article of claim 14, wherein the computing device is the network appliance.
16. (original) The article of claim 15, wherein the network appliance is a remote camera.
17. (original) The article of claim 15, wherein the network appliance is an Internet radio player.
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